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**New Attorney Docket No.: 53262-20027.00
Old Attorney Docket No. 3557-22
PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Ralf BADUR et al.

U.S. National Stage Application
Under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of
PCT/EP01/07391

Application No.: To Be Assigned

Confirmation No.: To be Assigned

Filed: December 9, 2002

Art Unit: To Be Assigned

Title: MODIFYING THE FINE CHEMICAL
CONTENT IN ORGANISMS BY
GENETICALLY MODIFYING THE
SHIKIMATE PATHWAY

Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents
United States Patent and Trademark Office
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The above-captioned U.S. patent application was transferred to the undersigned attorney as of about August 21, 2003. Copies of the Change of Address and Appointment of Associate Power of Attorney, which were filed with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") evidencing that transfer, are attached.

On or about June 2, 2003, the prior attorney for this application filed a "Status Request Regarding Filing Receipt," because the filing receipt had not been received for this application. The Status Request also included a copy of a post card filed with the application which listed all documents filed for this case. The post card was stamped received by the PTO mailroom on December 9, 2002. In response to that Status Request, the prior attorney received a facsimile communication from Ms. Wynette Stapor of the PTO requesting that the attorney supply the

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application serial number. The undersigned filed a response to Ms. Stapor's request entitled "Submission" on August 21, 2003. Copies of that Status Request, the stamped post card that accompanied the application when filed, Ms. Stapor's facsimile communication, and applicant's "Submission" dated August 21, 2003, are all attached.

In the Submission applicant indicated that notice of serial number had not been received and applicant enclosed copies of papers filed with the PTO.

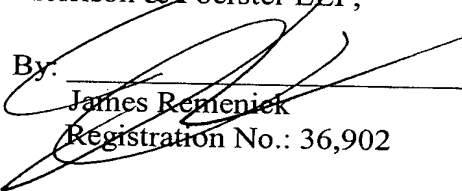
As yet the undersigned still has not received notice of a serial number or a filing receipt regarding this application.

Accordingly, applicant again respectfully requests to receive an Official Filing Receipt and to be advised of the status of the above-identified application.

If the PTO file for this application has been lost, the undersigned has a complete copy of all documents that were filed and can re-submit copies of those documents to the PTO to re-create the file. If copies are deemed necessary, please contact the undersigned as soon as possible to begin prosecution of the application.

Dated: July 26, 2004

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June 20, 2003

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:


STATUS REQUEST REGARDING FILING RECEIPT

An application was filed on December 9, 2002. However, since then applicant has not received the official Filing Receipt from the Patent Office regarding the application. Attached is a copy of the Post Card Receipt date-stamped by the Patent Office for the subject application. The Office is requested to forward a copy of the Filing Receipt to the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Transmittal National Phase

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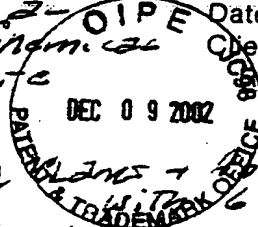
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X Priority Document

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In reply to: Status letter dated 06-02-03- Please provide me with the US Patent S/N.
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Sir:

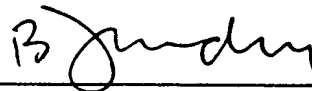
SUBMISSION

Responsive to the facsimile received from Ms. Stapor on July 30, 2003, and in further response to the subsequent teleconference with the undersigned, attached herewith is a copy of papers filed with the Patent Office in the above. The Office is requested to contact the undersigned if anything further is required in this regard.

Respectfully submitted,

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